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The American Numismatic and Archaeological Society of New York.

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CIRCULAR TO MEMBERS.

THE Society desiring to collect and preserve materials in order to enable the Historiographer to prepare and read before it, upon the demise of any member, a memorial of his life, these queries are forwarded to you with the earnest request that they may be answered *in extenso*, and returned without delay.

QUESTIONS.

1. What is your full name? *Answer. John Adams Bolen*
2. What were the names of your parents? *A. James Bolen, Mary Minship*
3. What were the names of your grandparents? *A. — ^{unknown} Bullen, Thebe Rimrose*
(my mother's side, Joseph Minship, Lucy Freeman)
4. When and where were you born? *A. Nov. 10th 1826, New York city*
In Pearl st bet Center & Elm
5. If you are married, give the maiden name of your wife, and her residence, the names of her parents, the date of your marriage, and the place where you were married? *A. ^{2nd} Eliza Barker Pease, Springfield Mass. ^{2nd} Gaius Pease —*
Eliza Barker, 3rd June 19th 1856, 4th Springfield Mass.
6. If you have had any children, give their names in the order of their birth. *A. Mary Elizabeth Bolen, Laurence Amos Bolen.*

7. If any member of your family is deceased, give the name and date of death. *A.*

8. State where you were brought up and educated. *A. In New York city until seven years old, then Seneca Falls ^{NY} until sixteen years old. Then back to New York city, and in this city since Sept 1st, 1851.*

9. If you were graduated by any college, give the name and class. *A.*

10. State what degrees, if any, have been conferred, and by whom. *A.*

11. State your occupation; and if you are a member of any of the learned professions. *A. Lie-Sinker. Then Book-keeper. and commercial Traveler*

12. If you have held any public office, either Municipal, State or Federal, state what, when, and for how long. *A.*

13. If you have been connected with any corporations, or other societies, state in what manner. *A.*

14. If you have written any book, pamphlet or article which has been printed, state when and where published, and give titles in full, and please furnish copies to the Library of the Society. *A.*

15. If any biographical sketch of you or history of your family has been printed, please refer to it? *A.*

16. Give in detail any incidents which have gone to make up the history of your life; acquaintance with distinguished men, etc.; in fact, everything that should be presented in a memorial of your life. *A. At the age of sixteen commenced and learned the Lincolnton trade, in Jersey City. Then through quit it and learned the Jewellers trade, during that time and afterward. I learned die-sinking, and carried it on in connection with Jewels, in this City for some years. Have kept Books off and on since I was Eighteen years old. Have traveled off and on for Eighteen years. My Father and his parents were born in Mounton N.J. My Mother and her parents were born in Norwich Conn. My Father and his brother (John Simon Bullen) had their name changed to Bolen, as I understand it the original name was Boleyn.*

17. If any of your ancestors or descendants have held important positions of honor or trust, please give details. *A.*

18. If you can give the name of the first ancestor of the family in this country, please do so. *A.*

NOTE.—Please also send to the Society, for its Album, a photographic likeness of yourself, with your autograph beneath it, if you have not already done so; and donations of anything you may have written will be particularly acceptable, as well as contributions germane to its Library and Cabinets.

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